Provincetown DPW – Sewer Modernization & Final Expansion Project

Fact Sheets Connection Costs

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Frequently Asked Questions			
Q	What are Connection Costs?		
Α	Connection Costs are what a property owner has to pay to connect their building sewer to the stub of the municipal sewer pipe in the street.		
Q	How much will my Connection Costs be?		
A	Connection costs will vary widely depending on a number of variables. These variables include the following: distance to sewer stub from your building, decommissioning your existing onsite system, removal/replacement of landscape/hardscape, elevation difference which may require a pump. See "Sewer Connection Costs" Table below for some estimated range of costs		
Q	When will I be able to Connect to the Sewer System?		
Α	You will be able to connect when the sewer is constructed in your neighborhood and you have been notified that you can connect. For properties in the existing sewer areas, that will be between 2023 and 2026. For properties in new areas, it will be between 2027 and 2030.		
Q	Can I delay Connecting to the Sewer?		
A	If you have an onsite system that is functional and passes inspection, you can delay connecting until your system fails an inspection or the Board of Health otherwise requires you to connect. If your property is under an Administrative Consent Order, you will be required to connect as soon as sewer is available to you.		
Q	How do I know if I will need a grinder pump?		
Α	AECOM has created a preliminary list of the properties that may require a grinder pump and will be updating this list over the next year with a survey of each street and property to be served by the sewer expansion. If the elevation of your building sewer is lower than the elevation of the municipal sewer line, then you will need a pump. Some other properties will need a pump because they will be served by a low-pressure line rather than a gravity sewer. See the "Will I Need a Grinder Pump" Fact Sheet		
Q	When will I have to pay my Connection costs?		
Α	You will need to hire and pay an approved contractor to connect your property to the sewer system. This will happen after a sewer stub is available in your neighborhood.		
Q	Is there any financial assistance for Connection Costs?		
Α	The Town will provide information on financial programs that are available to defray the connection costs for income-eligible property owners, as well as low-interest rate loan programs that are available to all property owners. See the Financial Assistance Fact Sheet.		

Sewer Connection Costs

	Connections to the Sewer Main	COST EST.
Typical/Average installation	Single-family with pipe out the back, trench to street Some removal and replacement of landscaping etc. Average decommissioning of onsite system	\$9,500 to \$12,000
Simplest installation	Relatively simple single-family residence with exit pipe from building out front to stub in street Simple trench, no hardscaping to remove & replace Easy decommissioning of onsite system	\$2,500 to \$5,000
More complex installation	Same as above but with a very tight area to work in A lot of removal and replacement and/or More difficult decommissioning of existing system	\$9,500 to \$15,000
Multi-buildings	Additional install cost if multi-buildings To be connected on the same property	+\$15,000- \$75,000
Grinder Pump	Additional installation cost for: Residents requiring grinder pumps	+\$7,000 to \$15,000
Mobile generator	Mobile Generator: Generator cost including installation by electrician	+\$2000